

# DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76) AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

Akihiko Hiratsuka and Tsuguhiro Nomoto

This declaration is directed to:

- ☒ The attached application, or  
☐ Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_,  
☐ as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable);

I/We believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the National or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application, if applicable; and

All statements made herein of my/own knowledge are true, all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

I/We hereby appoint:

Practitioners at Customer Number 22204 as my/our attorney(s) or agent(s) to prosecute the application identified above, and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

## FULL NAME OF INVENTOR(S)

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Signature: Akihiko Hiratsuka Date: October 5, 2005

Inventor two: Tsuguhiro Nomoto Citizen of: Japan

Signature: Tsuguhiro Nomoto Date: October 5, 2005

Inventor three: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizen of: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Inventor four: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizen of: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Additional inventors are being named on \_\_\_\_\_ additional form(s) attached hereto.

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Akihiko Hiratsuka and Tsuguhiro Nomoto  
(hereinafter designated as the undersigned) has (have) invented certain new and useful  
improvements in "Valve Mount Heater Unit"  
for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America was filed on  
\_\_\_\_\_, and assigned Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, and;

WHEREAS, Tokyo Technological Labo Co., Ltd. of  
2-26-18 Motoizumi, Komae-shi, Tokyo, Japan heirs, successors, legal  
representatives and assigns (hereinafter designated as the Assignee) is desirous of acquiring the  
entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent(s) that may  
be granted therefor in the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to the  
undersigned in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and  
valuable consideration, the undersigned has (have) sold, assigned and transferred, and by these  
presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee the full and exclusive right to the said  
invention in the United States of America and its territories and for all foreign countries,  
dependencies and possessions and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters  
Patent(s) which may be granted therefor in the United States of America and its territories,  
dependencies and possessions, and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and  
extensions thereof for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with this  
application and any continuing, divisional or reissue applications thereof and also to execute  
separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary  
or expedient.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or any continuation, division or reissue thereof or Letters Patent(s) or reissue patent issued thereon and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining and producing evidence and proceeding with such interference.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents and to perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims under or provisions of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

The undersigned agree(s) to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of a valid United States patent(s) to the Assignee and to vest all rights therein hereby conveyed to said Assignee as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the undersigned if this Assignment and sale had not been made.

The undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patents of the United States of America resulting from said application or any division or divisions or continuing or reissue applications thereof to the said Assignee, as Assignee of the entire interest, and hereby covenants that he has (they have) the full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he has (they have) not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

The undersigned hereby grant(s) the law firm of Nixon Peabody LLP the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

In witness thereof, this Assignment has been executed by the undersigned on the date(s) opposite the undersigned name(s).

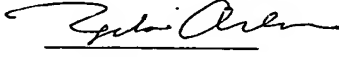
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Date \_\_\_\_\_, Name of Inventor Tsunehiro Nomoto (SEAL)  
Date \_\_\_\_\_, Name of Inventor \_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)

Date \_\_\_\_\_, Name of Inventor \_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)


(This assignment should preferably be acknowledged before a United States Consul or Notary Public. If not, then the execution by the Inventor(s) should be witnessed by at least two other persons who should sign here.)

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